



ST CUTHBERT'S

— CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL —

Edexcel A Level English Literature

SIXTH FORM PREPARATION MATERIALS

St Cuthbert's Catholic High School Sixth Form	
Recommended Reading	Try to read at least one of the following texts over the summer. They're great texts! • William Shakespeare, <i>King Lear</i> • Tennessee Williams, <i>A Streetcar Named Desire</i> • Toni Morrison, <i>Beloved</i> • Bram Stoker, <i>Dracula</i>
Articles	The genre of Tragedy in 21st century (written during the COVID-19 pandemic) – Guardian https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2022/jan/15/tragedy-pandemics-climate-crisis-algorithms-tech-drama
E-magazine	• Thirst for Knowledge: <i>Dracula</i> https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emc-magazines/emagazine/articles/a-deadly-thirst-for-knowledge-bram-stoker-s-dracula/ • The Gothic in <i>Dracula</i> and <i>Beloved</i> https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emc-magazines/emagazine/articles/are-you-sitting-comfortably-the-gothicism-of-dracula-and-beloved/ • Defining Tragedy: classical to modern: https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emc-magazines/emagazine/articles/defining-tragedy-drama-from-classical-to-modern-period/ E-magazine login details: Username: stcuthbert1881 Password: Shakespeare
Podcasts	• <i>Tragedy</i> (BBC Radio 4, <i>In our Time: Culture</i>) • <i>Lear</i> (BBC Radio 4, <i>In our Time: Culture</i>) • Creative Visionaries: Tennessee Williams (Famous Fates) • <i>Gothic</i> (BBC Radio 4, <i>In our Time: Culture</i>) All available on Spotify and other podcast platforms.
Watch (documentaries)	Shakespeare: Rise of a Genius https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0gjkxgm